

PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q76815

Kenichi NAKATATE, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/648,275

Group Art Unit: 2874

Confirmation No.: 4434

Examiner: Kevin WOOD

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 27, 2005, in which the Examiner has required a restriction, Applicant responds by electing Group I, *i.e.*, claims 1-14, drawn to An image fiber. This election is made without prejudice to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected claims.

Prompt and favorable action on the elected claims is now respectfully requested.


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